

Fractions Arithmetic

June 2022 Paper 2

Question	Answer	Mark	Mark scheme	Additional guidance
2	$\frac{7}{10}$	B1	oe fraction	

June 2022 Paper 1

Question	Answer	Mark	Mark scheme	Additional guidance
12 (a)	$\frac{7}{12}$	M1	for finding two fractions with a correct common denominator, with at least one correct corresponding numerator, eg. $\frac{5}{12}, \frac{2}{12}$	Ignore errors in cancelling following sight of an equivalent fraction to $\frac{7}{12}$
		A1	for $\frac{7}{12}$ oe eg $\frac{14}{24}, \frac{21}{36}, \frac{28}{48}, \frac{35}{60}, \frac{42}{72}, \dots$	
(b)	$\frac{3}{16}$	M1	for method to multiply fractions, eg $\frac{3 \times 5}{10 \times 8} (= \frac{15}{80})$	
		A1	or simplifies the calculation eg $\frac{3}{2} \times \frac{1}{8}$ or for an answer equivalent to $\frac{3}{16}$ unsimplified cao	

June 2023 Paper 1

Question	Answer	Mark	Mark scheme	Additional guidance
15	$\frac{5}{14}$	M1 A1	for method to multiply fractions, eg $\frac{6 \times 5}{7 \times 12}$ or to simplify, eg $\frac{1}{7} \times \frac{5}{2}$ OR for a fractional answer equivalent to $\frac{5}{14}$ cao	$\frac{30}{84}$, $\frac{15}{42}$, $\frac{10}{28}$

November 2023 Paper 1

Question	Answer	Mark	Mark scheme	Additional guidance
17	$3\frac{3}{5}$	M1	for inverting to give $\frac{3}{5} \times 6$ oe	
			OR for two correct fractions with a common denominator eg $\frac{18}{30} \div \frac{5}{30}$	
		M1	for method to calculate eg $\frac{3 \times 6}{5}$ or $\frac{3 \times 30}{5 \times 5}$ or $\frac{18}{5}$ or $\frac{90}{25}$ oe	
		A1	for $3\frac{3}{5}$ or any other equivalent mixed number eg $3\frac{15}{25}$	

November 2024 Paper 1

Question	Answer	Mark	Mark scheme	Additional guidance
20 (a)	$2\frac{1}{3}$	M1	for a method to subtract by writing both fractions with a common denominator with at least one correct numerator, eg. $3\frac{3}{6} - 1\frac{1}{6}$ or $\frac{3}{6} - \frac{1}{6} (= \frac{2}{6})$ or $\frac{21}{6} - \frac{7}{6} (= \frac{14}{6})$ or $\frac{42}{12} - \frac{14}{12} (= \frac{28}{12})$	Do not ISW incorrect further work from correct equivalent mixed number
		A1	for $2\frac{1}{3}$ or an equivalent mixed number	
(b)	Shown	M1	for conversion to improper fractions, eg. $\frac{21}{4}$ or $\frac{7}{3}$ or $\frac{9}{4}$	Must see an intermediate step, eg $\frac{63}{28}$ must be seen and then cancelled or correct cancelling seen before multiplication
		M1	(dep) for method to divide by a fraction, eg. $\frac{21}{4} \times \frac{3}{7}$ or $\frac{63}{12} \div \frac{28}{12}$	
		C1	for complete work showing each stage as far as $\frac{9}{4}$ or $2\frac{7}{28}$	

November 2022 Paper 1

Question	Answer	Mark	Mark scheme	Additional guidance
20 (a)	$3\frac{17}{20}$	M1	for finding two fractions with a correct common denominator (multiple of 20), with at least one correct corresponding numerator, eg. $\frac{12}{20}, \frac{5}{20}$ or $\frac{32}{20}, \frac{45}{20}$	May be from $\frac{3}{5}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$ or from $\frac{8}{5}$ and $\frac{9}{4}$
(b)	shown	A1	for $3\frac{17}{20}$ or an equivalent mixed number SC: B1 for 3.85 if M0 scored	
		M1	for $\frac{8}{3} \times \frac{1}{6}$ oe or $\frac{4}{9} \times \frac{6}{1}$ oe or $\frac{8}{3} \times \frac{9}{4}$ oe	
		A1	for unsimplified fraction which could lead to $\frac{4}{9}$, eg $\frac{8}{18}$ or for $\frac{4}{3} \times \frac{1}{3}$ or $\frac{24}{9} \div 6$ or for unsimplified fraction which could lead to $2\frac{2}{3}$, eg $\frac{24}{9}$ or for unsimplified fraction which could lead to 6, eg $\frac{72}{12}$	

June 2022 Paper 1

Question	Answer	Mark	Mark scheme	Additional guidance
20	$\frac{39}{88}$	<p>M1</p> <p>M1</p> <p>A1</p>	<p>for finding the gap (A) $1 - \frac{5}{8} (= \frac{3}{8} = \frac{33}{88})$ or (C) $1 - \frac{9}{11} (= \frac{2}{11} = \frac{16}{88})$ or $\frac{5}{8} + \frac{9}{11} (= \frac{55}{88} + \frac{72}{88} = \frac{127}{88})$</p> <p>for $\frac{9}{11} - \frac{3}{8} (= \frac{72}{88} - \frac{33}{88})$ or $\frac{5}{8} - \frac{2}{11} (= \frac{55}{88} - \frac{16}{88})$ or $1 - \frac{3}{8} - \frac{2}{11} (= 1 - \frac{33}{88} - \frac{16}{88})$ oe or $\frac{5}{8} + \frac{9}{11} - 1 (= \frac{55}{88} + \frac{72}{88} - 1)$</p> <p>oe</p>	

June 2024 Paper 1

Question	Answer	Mark	Mark scheme	Additional guidance
21 (a)	$2\frac{2}{15}$	M1	<p>for a method to subtract using a common denominator with at least one fraction correct (suitable common denominator for original fractions with at least one correct numerator)</p> <p>eg $\frac{57}{15} - \frac{25}{15}$ or $(3)\frac{12}{15} - (1)\frac{10}{15}$</p>	<p>Use of decimals gets no credit unless it leads to a correct fraction</p>
		A1	<p>for $2\frac{2}{15}$ oe eg $\frac{32}{15}$</p>	<p>ISW incorrect conversion from improper fraction to mixed number or incorrect simplification of improper fraction.</p>
(b)	Mistake identified	C1	<p>for explaining that Kevin did not convert to the correct mixed number</p> <p>Acceptable examples</p> <p>In his answer $\frac{9}{24}$ should have been $\frac{11}{24}$</p> <p>The 9 should be 11</p> <p>He has not got the numerator right in his final answer</p> <p>He simplified into the mixed number incorrectly</p> <p>He has not put the remainder as the numerator</p> <p>$1\frac{9}{24}$ would give you $\frac{33}{24}$ rather than $\frac{35}{24}$</p> <p>$\frac{35}{24} = 1\frac{11}{24}$</p> <p>Not acceptable examples</p> <p>He should have used a common denominator</p> <p>He has not simplified his answer</p> <p>He should have done keep, flip, change</p> <p>He converted the fraction wrongly</p> <p>The answer should be $1\frac{10}{24}$</p>	<p>Figures may be seen in the question space.</p>

June 2020 Paper 1

Question	Answer	Mark	Mark scheme	Additional guidance
21	Shown	M1 M1 C1	for conversion to improper fractions eg. $\frac{7}{3}$ or $\frac{15}{4}$ (dep) for method to multiply fractions, eg. $\frac{7 \times 15}{3 \times 4} \left(= \frac{105}{12} \right)$ or $\frac{28 \times 45}{12 \times 12} \left(= \frac{1260}{144} \right)$ oe for complete working showing each stage as far as $\frac{35}{4}$ or $8\frac{9}{12}$	Need not be shown with operators

November 2021 Paper 1

Question	Answer	Mark	Mark scheme	Additional guidance
22	$1\frac{8}{15}$	M2	for a complete method, eg $4 - 2 + \frac{3}{15} - \frac{10}{15}$ condoning error with one numerator or for $\frac{21}{5} - \frac{8}{3} = \frac{63}{15} - \frac{40}{15} (= \frac{23}{15})$ with no more than one error	
		(M1)	for finding two fractions with a correct common denominator, with at least one correct corresponding numerator, eg $\frac{3}{15}, \frac{10}{15}$ or for converting both to improper fractions, eg $\frac{21}{5}, \frac{8}{3}$	At least one improper fraction must be correct
		A1	$1\frac{8}{15}$ oe	Any equivalents must be a mixed number